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Chief, Security Research Staff, I&SO

Chief, Technical Branch, SRS, I&SO

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1. Reference is made to the attached [redacted] which was obtained from [redacted]

2. As you will recall, [redacted] was assigned to [redacted] which directly paralleled Artichoke work in this Agency and while so employed had been very successful in refining and isolating certain compounds for [redacted] as you know, is highly thought of by [redacted] and the only reason that he is no longer with [redacted] that there was some technical difficulty with [redacted] in connection with his commission plus the fact that he was offered a position with [redacted] which he subsequently accepted.

3. Since [redacted] has expressed great interest in the Artichoke program and has advanced to us a number of ideas we believe are extremely valuable and since he does have exceptionally good qualifications for Artichoke work, it is respectfully suggested that your Office, or someone designated by you, discuss the possibility of his employment either with OSI or [redacted] for special research in connection with Artichoke.

4. It is also suggested that although [redacted] holds a Top Secret clearance from [redacted], a covert investigation by this Agency on [redacted] might be advisable and the writer believes that if the investigative offices of I&SO make such an investigation, it should be given a high priority basis.

5. [redacted], as I mentioned above, is now employed at [redacted] It is our understanding that [redacted] has been ordered by [redacted] to either [redacted] or [redacted] in the near future and since he does not wish to go to these areas, he has made it known to [redacted] associates that he would be definitely interested in an offer of employment along the lines which we have discussed above.

A [redacted]

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